

THE HICKMAN COURIER.

FRIDAY, : : : SEPT. 5, 1879.

Local Items.

Short communications on public questions printed—but not responsible for sentiments or expressions of correspondents—except where we refuse to give name of author.

The Fair directors meet to-morrow Questions in "Courier's Query Box" will receive next week.

A ounce of preventive is better than a ounce of cure. Take Antiseptic Mineral Water, every other night.

There are ten divorce cases pending in the Hickman Circuit Court.

Mr. Charley Yule and Miss Annie Daniels, of Hickman, crossed over to Missouri, Sunday last, and were married.

Frasier Family Mackerel—5 for a dime, 2 for a nickel, &c.

Hickman merchants are preparing for a large fall trade. The prospects are encouraging.

Dr. Harry Buck has decided to locate near Clington, Ohio. He is a clever citizen, and we regret to lose him.

Brownsville is so rigidly quarantined that no Brannanillites are allowed to go near the passing trains under penalty of fine and imprisonment.

Penn old Apple Vinegar, made in Fulton county, at 25 cents a quart.

MCCUTCEN'S.

Sept. 15.

Mrs. Harriet Routhal will re-open her school for girls on Monday, Sept. 15th, in the German school building.

Mr. Abe Plaut is now in the East buying fall and winter goods, and other Hickman merchants will follow in a few days. The prospects are flattering for a much improved trade.

MRS. CARRIE MAHONEY Announces that her school will reopen on Monday, Sept. 8. She commences under encouraging prospects. She has an instrument at Mrs. Jones', and will also give lessons on the piano.

McCUTCEN buys his goods for cash, and therefore will only sell for cash, or ten days time to prompt working men, and only one else that works and pays.

The fever is still raging in Memphis and the mortality is on the increase, while the cases are double what they were. The cold weather has apparently had no effect upon the dread destroyer.

Antiseptic Mineral Water prevents yellow and all malarial fevers, Cholera, Small-Pox, etc.

There is no doubt, if the weather is favorable, but what we will have more visitors to our County Fair this season than ever before, and a finer exhibition of stock. We hear this expression from nearly everyone.

Pray your wife and babies! Buy the Honey Dip Syrup, at 25 cents a quart.

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The firm of Hertweck & Baltzer, will be compelled to make considerable enlargement in the way of houses for the accommodation of their large and rapidly increasing trade. We hear they will employ as many as 150 hands the following season.

The number of horses being stolen, missed, or strayed, in this section indicate the operation of a regular clan. The farmers will have to organize, and when a horse is taken, spare neither time or money until the thief is captured and punished.

McCUTCEN is selling the finest Kentucky test Coal Oil at 20 cents per gallon.

It is possible, but not probable, that the yellow fever will spread to any distant point from Memphis this season. If the towns will keep up their sanitary attentions and quarantine a few weeks longer, all danger will certainly be passed.

The splendid grain crops in this country and the foreign demand for grain which is at present reported, certainly gives promise of more prosperous times. Let no one expect a swell of prosperity—people are in debt and their debts must be paid—but there will be a healthy improvement.

Salt, Salt!

Best Kanawa salt by the barrel or barrel.

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We learn that the members of the Woodland Mills base ball club are anxious to engage in a contest with the Hickman boys, and that the organized club at this place, would have challenged them some time ago. Why don't some of the boys make an effort in this direction? Will Capt. B. make the effort?

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India Ink Pictures—There is an exhibition at Plaut & Bro's Store a specimen of India Ink work, which is the most beautiful life like portrait we ever saw. It will delight the lovers of art to call and examine. Any of our citizens desiring portraits in India Ink can now be accommodated. It is pronounced far superior in every respect, especially in durability, to the pastel work. Remember to call at Plaut & Bro's, and examine for yourselves, where information can be obtained as to costs, &c., and orders left.

Sam and Joe Kirkpatrick are now in Columbia, and are anxious to put all kinds of Groceries down to bottom prices, for cash, and the other merchants are giving him a—Columbia about it.

A CHARLENE.—An enterprising home manufacturer challenges the record, to show any line of business, in this section, which pays an equal per cent. to manufacturing. The same capital, prudence in management, attention, industry, &c., to be considered. All things fairly considered, he will make his representation on the statement that manufacturing pays double the per cent. of any other legitimate business. This can be demonstrated, why will men prefer directing their capital, time, &c., in the old routine?

The Baptist Association convenes at Mt. Olive Church to-day.

The Hickman wheat market remains steady and unchanged, and but little coming in.

McCRENES thinks a man's best friend is the one that will sell him the best bargain for the least money.

The gentleman who has the two little blue buttons with the square and compass ought to return them to the proper owner, if he is square.

Mr. Shields, a farmer in this county, is raising the giant tobacco of this section. It measures 8-12 feet from point to point, and hangs 7-12 feet. It is produced good quality of tobacco.

Dr. J. D. Leslie, the greatest hero of last year's epidemic, it is understood, will attend our County Fair, this fall, in company with Dr. Blackburn, the guests of the people of Fulton county.

Boys and girls, make your arrangements to start to school when the session opens. It is much better for all parties that you should attend the first day of the session.

In the last Commonwealth Drawing, 79,668 drew \$30,000, 33,508 drew \$10,000, 81,800 received \$3,000. Parties winning full or half are to receive, or one-half of the amount, as the drawing, or annual license of twenty-five dollars, except such liquors as are actually used in composing mixtures, and then only on the prescription of a physician.

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Sac. III. Any person violating this ordinance shall not less than ten more than fifty dollars, and each selling or furnishing to person shall be fined a several hundred dollars.

This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication in the Hickman Courier.

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Council Proceedings.

HICKMAN, KY., Aug. 30, 1879.

At a called meeting of the Council May, or Tyler, Councilmen Plummer, French, Buckner, Faris and Campbell present.

One motion, the Mayor was directed to make a statement to the people as to what was feasible for the interest of the city in regard to the written contract with the Nashville and Northwestern Railroad concerning the city of Hickman.

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Tilden Modestly Declares Himself a Candidate.

A Southern politician, who called upon ex-Gov. Tilden yesterday, said to your correspondent: "I asked the Governor if he sought the Presidency, or was so very anxious to secure a nomination. He smiled, and replied: "I have yet to hear of any one who would refuse the office, but I am not so anxious about it as some persons think I am. If the people wish to nominate me, I shall willingly respond to their wishes."

I asked the Governor if he thought the Democracy would carry New York State this fall in the view of the existing differences in the party. He replied that the differences were not so great but that they could be overcome.

The only disturbers of party unity were a few men in New York whose influence was over-estimated.

He said he had no doubt that the Democracy would carry the State in the fall and again in 1880.

Gov. Tilden's health is reported to be excellent.

John Stevenson's Opinion.

Gov. Stevenson, of Kentucky, who is here, says Judge Thurman is more frequently spoken of as a probable Democratic Presidential candidate in 1880 than is Mr. Tilden.—Gazette.

Everybody talks of "Mason and Dixon line" yet many are ignorant as to its location. This is the parallel of latitude 39 degrees 43 minutes and 23 seconds, separating Pennsylvania and Maryland. This line was drawn by Charles Mason and Jeremiah Dixon two distinguished Mathematicians and Astronomers. The line properly begins at the North-East corner of Maryland, running due West. "Mason and Dixon line" formed the dividing line between the free and slave states, in the original confederation.

Also, the Kountz line announces that they have placed the steamer "D. H. Rucker" in the trade from St. Louis to New Madrid. The Rucker will leave St. Louis every Saturday at 5 p. m., and leave New Madrid every Monday at 9 a. m.

The Prospects.

Mr. EDITOR—Dear Sir: Please allow me a small space in your most highly and esteemed paper in regard to the false reports about our crops. It has been reported that the corn crop was no account, and that the prospects for tobacco and sorghum, all through from Pryorburg to Dubuque and thence back to Water Valley, Fulton and to the river, were very poor. I will say that I have traveled through the above section, and I found just as good corn and tobacco crops as ever seen. You can buy as many as forty-five acres of tobacco in one field, and the people don't take time to go to picnics and barbecues, but remain steadily at work. Some thirty miles from Water Valley I found colored people who own from one-third of an acre of land to one hundred and fifty acres, and if a colored person comes out here, he can live as well anywhere in Fulton county as I do at Sunday of each month. Father Welch, priest.

CITY ITEMS.

CHILDREN'S SHOES AT AMBERG'S from 25 cents to \$1.25.

YOU CAN GET GOOD JEANS AT AMBERG'S from 20 to 40 cents.

Passenger Canvased Hams, and snow-laden Lard, just received and for sale at McCUTCEN'S.

JOHN WITTING'S.

FARMER'S THE HIGHEST CASH prices paid for wheat and country produce at J. H. PLAUT & BRO.

SPECIAL NOTICE!

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LET US HAVE PEACE.

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DUE NOTICE.

All persons indebted to J. W. Cole, are urged to pay him as soon as possible.

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CITY TAXES.

All tax-payers are hereby respectfully notified that their city tax for the present year are now due, and they will oblige me and themselves by prompt settlement. Business is business, and I mean business.

J. A. WITTING, City Tax Collector.

WEST HICKMAN COOPER SHOP (opposite white's flouring mills), HICKMAN, KENTUCKY.

KEEP ON HAND MOLASSES KEGS and Barrels of all sizes, holding from 50 to 60 gallons. Also, Flour, Apple, Potato and other kinds of barrels; Kran and Pickle Stands, and all cooperage that is usually required.

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A THOUGHT.

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WHY DON'T THEY VOTE?
Why Don't They go to School?

It is an alarming view in the condition of affairs in Kentucky that out of 400,000 qualified voters, rarely more than 200,000 of them can ever be induced to exercise the right or privilege at any given election. The voice of the majority of our people is the sovereign controlling authority, and yet we doubt if any State officer, from Governor down, ever receives a majority of the actual voters of the State. Blackburn was elected by a majority of 44,000 over his next highest competitor, and yet he likes a clean 100,000 of having carried a majority of the qualified voters in the State! Why is it that the people don't vote? Is it because they are disgusted with the attempt of the people ruling themselves, and desire to relegate the duty of voting to certain classes of citizens, or is it from ignorance as to the importance of their duty to vote?

The same question can be asked in regard to the attendance upon the public schools. Less than one-half of the children of school age attend school when the privilege is free, and every inducement offered to get them to attend. Our own conclusions are that this general neglect in voting, and this general failure to send children to school is caused, in one class of our people, by ignorance, and in another by the all absorbing interest to make money. Make money, this is the grand object, sin and curse of a large majority of our people. The privilege and duty of voting is esteemed as nothing if it interferes with the making of money. We don't believe that our forefathers were so much superior to the present generation as the 4th of July orators represent, but it is undeniable that they did, on occasions, display such a spirit as patriotism; that they did, while recognizing the value of money, hold some things a little more sacred than money. In this day and time, at least, a majority of the people no doubt prefer right to wrong, and if compelled to vote would so pronounce, but as to public matters at a public election, there must be individual causes to induce a majority to go to the polls and declare for the right and against the wrong. The reason is that individual interests overshadow all interest in public affairs. It this continues through many years, the result must be ruinous and destructive to our present form of government. Office holders seeing the spirit that actuates the people, will, in due time, public affairs to their individual interest, until the public interest is entirely ignored.

And the trouble is that the condition of affairs seems irremediable—until public affairs are rushed into such terrible abuses as to arouse the people, and give them chance to one this will only be one through a revolution and change of form of government. This is as certain as any cause produces an effect.

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KENTUCKY POLITICS.

It is reported that Dr. Howard Henderson, Superintendent of Public Instruction eight years past, but defeated this year for renomination by Prof. DeGrau Pigott, will, on retiring from office, proceed to establish an independent Democratic Journal at Frankfort. Dr. Henderson is an experienced journalist, and it is believed that he can make a success of such a journal where the need of one has long been felt, especially if true to his independent programme of talking right at the meeting. Such a course, bottomed upon facts which are facts, would certainly create a broad and the ranks of the dominant party in Kentucky. Besides Frankfort being confessedly a clique ridden capital, very much needs a stirring up of the dry bones for the benefit of its own health and progress. The incoming Governor, Dr. Blackburn, and his cabinet, it is stated this evening, will make a clean sweep of the numerous clerical force employed for eight years past. In the public office on Capital Square all will have to go save one alone, and that is the accomplished and indisputable Chief Clerk of the Department of Public Instruction, Col. Ed. C. West, who according to his chief and the educators generally, has made that department a model of order, in economy and dispatch.

THE OLD AND NEW AGAIN.

Kate Chase Sprague Admits.

[Special to the Courier Journal]
NARRAGANSETT PIER, Aug. 31.—Mrs. Sprague's escape from Canoechet on that evening, with her three girls, made a sensation. Since her return to Canoechet, she has been ill-treated by Gov. Sprague. His actions, her friends represent, culminated on Friday in an outbreak. Going home in the intoxicated condition, he burst into the room in which she was, and shouted—“Sprague!—Sprague!—Who are you who is master here?” He then dragged her from the room and attempted to throw her from the window, but those there prevented him. Mrs. Sprague then quietly began to escape from the place, and at half past five on Saturday evening, she slipped away with the three girls, and was soon several miles away. The Governor and his nephew, Arthur Watson, who had been closely watching her, knew nothing of her going until she was well away. Watson, on discovering the flight, immediately started with the colored cook and searched the hotels at the pier, and finding her not hurried back. The Governor then took the team and started at a breakneck pace for King Junction, eight miles away, thinking that she might have taken the train and hoping to intercept her. He had a hot race of it, arriving there just before the train, covered with mud and water, and found that Mrs. Sprague, so he took his way back to Canoechet. Willis Sprague, his son, who has sided all along with his father, was started in the direction of Tower Hill, but he returned without success. There are many theories as to how she got away. She did not take the train, and the impression is that she took a steam yacht, for one was seen in and about the Pier late in the afternoon, and which, after touching at the New- port wharf, sailed away forever with the children. A suit for divorce and for their possession is said to be imminent.

Here is the termination of a brilliant marriage for money and position, but without love and proper respect between the contracting parties. Kate Chase, the daughter of the Chief Justice of the United States, marries Mr. Sprague—worth forty million dollars. Both parties are now wrecked, their lives blighted and disgraced forever.

John Boyd, Esq., of Fallow county, has been appointed Clerk of the Land Office at Frankfort, and goes to that city to take his position.

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The meeting of the stockholders of the Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis railway, to elect directors for the ensuing year, will occur on Wednesday, Sept. 10th.

Battle Between Giants.

[From Evansville Courier.]
There is a breeze of war on the horizon between Russia and Germany. Bismarck and Gortschakoff are quibbling about the results of the Berlin conference and the attitude of Bismarck towards Russia during that memorable contest. The North German Gazette, Bismarck's organ declares that the Russian papers are uttering deliberate fabrications touching the particular differences that have led to the estrangement of the two great Princes, and boldly declares that Gortschakoff inspires their publications. The Gazette continues:

“The points are in dispute between Russia and the Western Powers referred to the questions of Batoum, the Dabroebitsa, Sofia the war cost of the Black, Turkish and Bulgarian frontier. To all these the Prince Bismarck made concessions in favor of Russia, and in fact there were no demands formulated by Russia at the Congress which Prince Bismarck did not support. He did not reopen upon Russia's gratitude and recognition of his friendly attitude toward her during the Congress. Had he done so he would now be in the position of the man who leaned upon the broken reed.”

The special Berlin cablegram to the Cincinnati Enquirer confirms the rumor of coming trouble, and also the Czarowitch is said to be the head and all the leaders of the Panslavic agitation at Moscow, seem to be delighted with the two Empires, and as Bismarck is the object of their most fervent hatred, they advocate aggression rather than peace. It is certain that Von Moltke has asked for railroad and commissioners return, rarely required except upon the eve of active service.”

If war comes England and Austria would probably side with Russia. It would be a battle between giants.

The lunatic who edits the Okalona Southern States has a counterpart in the lunatic who edits the Lemars (Iowa, Sentinel). Neither of these papers represent the parties for whom they assume to speak, but as the Radical papers are so fond of copying, the Okalona States ravings, we give the following from the Lemars as a guide for the education of our readers:

“The nation's capital in the hands of traitors, the low, but deep murmur of defrauded people grow to a sultry reverberation.”

“That gather, gather, gather.

“And rambling over the graves of a million dead heroes who have died in vain that the nation might live.”

“They roll gradually into the awed hearts of thirty millions of living patriots.”

“And break on the ears of the world.”

“Booming, booming, booming,”

“For Grant in 1880.”

“Transcendentalism, gush, reconciliation and all other tricks of reconstruction are played out.”

“Exit doves, olive branches and foli- drol.”

“Grant and gunpowder.”

“Grant and bayonets.”

“Grant and the gallows for traitors.”

“Grant and the top shelf.”

“Grant in the Presidential chair—his Congress and cabinet taken from the grim warriors who saved the Union to preserve it—

“And to stay there till the crack of doom, if the integrity of the Republic requires it.”

“It was the sword of the Father that created the Republic; it was the sword of their sons that defended it against foreign foes; it was the sword of their grandson that rescued it from hereditary traitors.”

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“Washington, Jackson, Grant—

“Why, all the so-called statesmen of the country has produced would not make a respectable shadow of this immortal trinity of warriors.”

“Washington is dead, and Jackson is dead, but all that was great and good in both lives is Grant.”

“To the army we owe our creation, preservation and redemption.”